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House of Representatives
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The Honorable Cathy McMorris Rogers
Chair
Energy and Commerce Committee
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Frank Pallone
Ranking Member
Energy and Commerce Committee
United States House of Representatives
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The Honorable Buddy Carter
Chair
Environment, Manufacturing,
and Critical Materials Subcommittee
Energy and Commerce Committee
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The Honorable Paul Tonko
Ranking Member
Environment, Manufacturing,
and Critical Materials Subcommittee
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Dear Chair McMorris Rogers, Ranking Member Pallone, Chair Carter, and Ranking Member Tonko:

Thank you for holding a hearing to examine cybersecurity threats to and the resilience of America's drinking water systems. I appreciate the committee's interest in this important issue, which is especially relevant to my constituents in Western Pennsylvania who recently experienced a cyberattack firsthand.

On November 25, 2023, an Iranian-backed cyber group, the "Cyber Av3ngers," attacked the Municipal Water Authority of Aliquippa by hacking Israeli-made equipment in the water system. The authority serves the City of Aliquippa and Raccoon, Potter, and portions of Hopewell Townships in Beaver County. Thankfully, the attack did not interrupt my constituents' water service or compromise their personal information, but such risks are obvious. Any attack on our nation's critical infrastructure is of significant concern, and Congress must work in a bipartisan way to ensure water systems and others have the necessary protections.

To that end, Congress should give the Environmental Protection Agency (the Sector Risk Management Agency) the tools and resources it needs to support and coordinate with the water sector to prepare for and build resilience against risks like cyber threats. I look forward to

working with the Energy and Commerce Committee, as the committee of jurisdiction, to address this important issue and give our fellow Americans the peace of mind they ought to have that water systems and other critical infrastructure are secured.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christopher R. Deluzio". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Chris Deluzio
Member of Congress